

try to get them cleaned up. That's the whole purpose of having the fund and doing the process, but the same set of criteria and conditions should apply to everyone who falls into the category of being a possible applicant and recipient of the funds to do the cleanup, and to single out this...this situation over others that might have a greater clean-up problem or might have a more dire need is not good policy, I don't think, so I urge the body not to adopt the pending amendment. Thank you.

SENATOR MOORE: Thank you, Senator Bromm. Our next speaker is Senator Robak on Senator Robak's amendment.

SENATOR ROBAK: I just guess I have a question for Senator Beutler. Senator Beutler,...

SENATOR MOORE: Senator Beutler, if you would yield to a question.

SENATOR ROBAK: Senator Beutler, you said you have an objection to this because of what reason now? My amendment.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Because, Senator, I don't believe that a particular operation simply because of the nature of the ownership should be given priority and should escape the set of priority criteria that has been developed by the department.

SENATOR ROBAK: Did we not, in essence, sort of do that in LB 1349 just two or five minutes ago?

SENATOR BEUTLER: No, we didn't, Senator.

SENATOR ROBAK: We didn't create a fund for certain entities?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator, under LB 1349, there are no state monies granted to anybody to do any sort of cleanup. The only thing that 1349 does is empower the department to accept funds from those who wish to have their sites cleaned up for the purposes of monitoring their remedial action plan.

SENATOR ROBAK: I would just say to that that this does not add any General Fund. There's no cost to the state to this. The lottery funds are there and this would just simply take lottery funds to close that landfill.

SENATOR MOORE: Thank you. Our next speaker on the Robak